

RESPONSE UNDER CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2872

00684.003135.1 (35.C11250 CD)

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Manabu KATO ) : Examiner: James Phan  
Appln. No.: 08/951,635 ) : Group Art Unit: 2872  
Filed: October 17, 1997 ) : Confirmation No.: 1809  
For: SCANNING OPTICAL APPARATUS ) : July 10, 2007

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION,  
STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW, AND  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Introductory Comments

Applicant petitions to extend the time for response to the final Official Action dated February 13, 2007, by two months, from May 13, 2007 to July 13, 2007. Please charge the amount of \$450.00 for payment of the extension fee and any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

In response to the Official Action, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

*Entered W/ file m 8/9/07  
J. Steptoe*